

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING BEFORE THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (DEQ)

DEQ will hold a public meeting for the Drinking Water and Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Programs on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in Helena and online.

DEQ invites public comment on the Base and Supplemental Intended Use Plans and proposed Project Priority List for State Fiscal Year 2024 as well as the Emerging Contaminant Intended Use Plan and proposed Project Priority List for State Fiscal Year 2023. The Intended Use Plans identify the intended uses of funds in the loan program and describe how the goals of the program will be satisfied. The Project Priority Lists identify projects that are eligible to be funded with loan monies authorized and appropriated to the State of Montana through Federal Fiscal Year 2022 and 2023 funding.

Public comments may be presented at the public meeting or sent to Sandie Koenig (sandie.koenig@mt.gov), Drinking Water Revolving Fund Program Manager, or Mike Abrahamson (MAbrahamson@mt.gov), Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Program Manager, PO Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901. Comments must be **received or postmarked by Friday**, **June 30**, **2023**. In addition, communities wanting to add their proposed drinking water or water pollution control projects to any of the Project Priority Lists should contact DEQ prior to the meeting date.

The public meeting will be held in-person in Helena at the DEQ Metcalf Building (1520 East Sixth Ave.), Room 111. A virtual option will also be available using Zoom. To find information on how to join the meeting virtually, or to view the Intended Use Plans, which contain the priority list, contact DEQ at (406) 444-5312 or visit DEQ's website at: https://deq.mt.gov/water/Programs/eng.

The Department will provide reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this meeting. If you need accommodation, please notify the Department no later than June 9, 2023, to advise us of your need. Please contact Candice Gernand: email Candice.Gernand@mt.gov, phone (406) 444-4643, fax (406) 444-6836.

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